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SUBJ: NARCOTICS: SINGAPORE PLANS BUILD POPPY STRAW PROCESSING PLANT

1. INCB SECY STEP CZYNSKI REQUEST MISSION OFFICER VISIT
HIS OFFICE JUNE 8. SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION WAS RECENT LETTER
HE RECEIVED FROM TAN KIOK K'NG, DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL SERVICES
(ACTING), MINISTRY OF HEALTH, SINGAPORE. LETTER STATED,
ACCORDING TO STEP CZYNSKI, THAT M/S WEEDERS FARMASYTISKE,
NORWEGIAN PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY, IS BUILDING FACTORY IN
SINGAPORE, WHICH WILL "SOON BE CONSTRUCTED," TO EXTRACT
POPPY CONCENTRATE FROM INDIAN POPPY STRAW FOR EXPORT TO
NORWAY. LETTER ASKED WHO SHOULD BE NOTIFIED ABOUT FACTORY
AND INQUIRED RE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS WHICH MIGHT BE
RELEVANT.

2. STEP CZYNSKI SAID HE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT IMPACT OF NEW
FACTORY ON PROBLEM OF OVERSUPPLY OF OPIATES. HE SAID HE
PLANNED RESPOND TO LETTER POINTING OUT TREATY PROVISIONS
WITH WHICH PROJECT MUST COMPLY, S WELL AS STRESSING
PRESENT DANGER OF OVERPRODUCTION OF OPIATES AND FUTURE
POSSIBILITY THAT INDIAN POPPY STRAW MAY CEASE TO BE
AVAILABLE. HE INTENDED DELIVER COPY OF HIS RESPONSE TO
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3. STEP CZYNSKI STATED THAT IN VIEW OF STRONG POSITION
GOS ON NARCOTICS MATTERS, HE WAS SURPRISED IT WOULD
AUTHORIZE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS PLANT. HE WONDERED
WHETHER AUTHORIZATION HAD BEEN APPROVED BY MR HANAM,
DIRECTOR GOS CENTRAL NARCOTICS BUREAU, WHOM HE WAS CERTAIN

WOULD HAVE OPPOSED IT.

4. COMMENT: CONSTRUCTION OF PROCESSING PLANT IN SINGAPORE COULD BE HARMFUL PRECEDENT TO OVERCOME IN EFFORTS TO DISSUADE OTHER COUNTRIES, SUCH AS LAOS, FROM COMMENTCING PROCESSING OPERATIONS. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE EMB SINGAPORE'S COMMENTS ON WHETHER AUTHORIZATION WAS COORDINATED GOS DECISION. END COMMENT. SORENSON

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